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Comm. Jane Henney  
The Food and Drug Admin.,  
5600 Fishers Lane  
Rockville, MD, 20857  
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Dear Commissioner Henney:

I am concerned about certain feeding practices that are in use with farm animals. I understand that the FDA has received a petition from the Humane Farming Assc. They are very much concerned about the feeding of pigs, horses, and other animals to farm animals. There are dangers associated with this and it must be stopped. I am enclosing a summary of the HFA's petition which spells out some of the particulars.

I hope the FDA will turn serious attention to this issue and act to stop these feeding practices. Thank you for considering this letter.

Sincerely,

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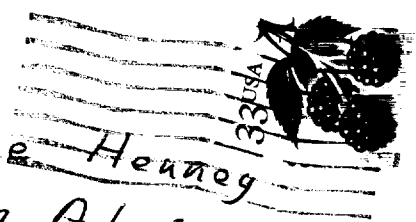
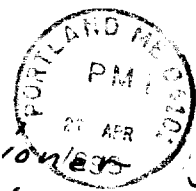
**SUMMARY OF HFA'S PETITION TO THE  
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA)**

In its first petition, HFA demands that:

- Blood and blood products from all mammals, including pigs and cows, must be prohibited for use in animal feed and pet foods.
- Gelatin and gelatin by-products must not be used in animal feed, as gelatin might carry infectious agents.
- Porcine materials must not be used in animal feed because U.S. pigs are known to have exhibited symptoms of central nervous system disease suspected as being TSE and have proven susceptible to TSE in laboratory tests.
- TSE-positive material absolutely *must not* be fed to any animals or be used in cosmetics, fertilizer or other products.

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